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MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER, 15, 1988
PARK PLAZA - BERKELEY/CLAREDON ROOM

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DATE: 10/5/88

TO: MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Attached are the minutes of the September Executive Council meeting for your review and approval.

The next meeting is scheduled for:

- THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1988

BOSTON TEACHERS UNION HALL
180 MT. VERNON ST.
DORCHESTER

10:00 A.M. - Meeting
12:15 P.M. - Luncheon

Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

Fraternally,

Robert J. Haynes

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Secretary-Treasurer

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ABSENT: Exec. Vice Presidents Evers and Faherty (u.b.), Alman (u.b.), Butler, Chigas, Collins (u.b.), Conley, Dart, DeRosa (u.b.), Devlin (u.b.), Ferin, Foley (u.b.), Kamel, McDevitt, Mullane

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Meeting opened with a prayer by V.P. Dorothy Thomas.

MMS to accept minutes of the August meeting. So voted.

MMS to refer the communications to the Exec. Officers. So voted.

Pres. Osborn read the letter of resignation from Exec. V.P. Evers. He asked if the Building Trades had a recommendation for a replacement for this seat. V.P. Kerr asked that this matter be held over until the October Executive Council meeting. Brother Kerr asked that if the matter were settled before the next Council meeting, would it be acceptable to forward the recommended name to the Executive Officers to poll the Board for approval. Pres. Osborn stated that the body would bow to the will of the Building Trades caucuses on the poll.

Pres. Osborn discussed the primary elections which were taking place today. He discussed the request from Jim Kelley, Greater Lawrence- Haverhill C.L.C., asking for endorsement from the Mass. AFL/CIO Council for the job as Director in Labor & Industries.

MMS to recommend Jim Kelley for the position as Director in the Dept. of Labor and Industries and for each Vice President to send a letter in his behalf. So voted.

Pres. Osborn asked the Council for approval to support the organization sponsoring support of children who have been accosted. Mike Cheney, City Councillor in Quincy, had made this request of the President. Pres. Osborn explained the aims of the organization.

MMS for the Mass. AFL/CIO to support the Walk to Protect Our Children on November 6th sponsored by the Adam Walsh Child Resource Center,pending the review of the literature explaining the organizating by the Exec. Officers. So voted.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Pres. Osborn gave a report on his activities over the past month:

- Worked on the problem with the Quincy Shipyard as it pertains to the Mass. Water Resources Authority.

- Teachers disputes in Peabody and Lowell discussed.

- Attended Labor Day Breakfast at the Park Plaza, sponsored by the Greater Boston Central Labor Council.

- Congratulated the Fall River C.L.C. for their Labor Day celebration at Heritage Park.

- Attended the Labor Day Breakfast in Springfield on September 11th

- Worked on the repeal of the prevailing wage effort

Pres. Osborn explained the prevailing wage law, the motives behind those who want repeal, and the strategies by the Committee for Quality of life to fight this repeal. He explained that the majority of his time has been spent on this crucial fight.

The President advised that he has been scheduled to be a guest on the Jerry Williams Show with Marty Burke and will discuss all four questions, 15 minutes on each. This will be aired on Monday night at 9:00 P.M.

MMS to accept the President's Report. So voted.

The President discussed the request from the Women in Building Trades asking for a donation to their upcoming conference and asking that the Mass. AFL/CIO co-sponsor this along with the Mass. Building Trades. Our donation would be $250 if approved by the Executive Board.

MMS to accept the recommendations of the Executive Officers as set forth in their minutes, including the request for the $250 donation to the Women in Building Trades Seminar. So voted.

SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT

Finance report noted.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes reviewed the financial report for those present. He noted the balance at the beginning of the mont, the disbursements listed, and the balance at the end of the month. He advised that the assets have remained essentially the same. The pension Fund, he noted has finally been brought up to date.

No questions were asked on this financial report.

The Secretary-Treasurer reported on his activities over the past month:

- Spoke in Worcester at their Labor Day Breakfast

- Went to Fall River and Pittsfield last week on the prevailing wage issue.

- Went to a meeting at Boston Teachers Hall on the issue of prevailing wage and this was a great success with over 700 people in attendance.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes encouraged all to become involved at the town level on this question. He advised that the regional meetings would soon be starting and asked the Vice Presidents to encourage their membership to attend not only the meetings, but to become involved in the phone banks and to work at the polls.

- Dicussed his efforts with CAT (Center for Applied Technology) and advised that the University of Lowell has received a $160,000 grant to study technology transer and the Mass. AFL/CIO has been named a working partner in that grant.

- Attended the United Way kick-off dinner

Sec.-Treas. Haynes took this opportunity to explain the situation where the Mass. AFL/CIO has not had a labor representive in the western part of the state and this has been an issue over the past year. He advised he has been working on this matter.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes advised he has been working on the Finance Committee of the Committee for Quality of Life. He explained the budget briefly, including the media expenses. He advised that the locals would be receiving a letter soon requesting financial aid in this prevailing wage fight and urged all to help out in whatever capacity they could.

The Secretary-Treasurer gave a brief and final report on the situation with the building at 44 Temple Place. He advised that it is, essentially, sold. He explained that the final documents are expected momentarily from the Bank of Boston.

MMS to accept the Secretary-Treasurer's report. So voted.

Pres. Osborn reported that he has been working to get the Teamsters involved in the Prevailing Wage struggle. He advised that a meeting was scheduled following the meeting today with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Teamsters District Council.

EDUCATION REPORT

Education Director Haynes reported on the progress of the Ad Book for this year, saying that the proceeds went to help out the Scholarship Program and the Retirees Program. He felt that there would be approximately $30,000 raised in this effort.

Brother Haynes advised that the Education Directors Conference held on May 4th resulted in a 36-page draft document which would be available at the convention. A one-half hour time space would be allocated to this conference, to deal specifically with the direction the Mass. AFL/CIO will take in the future in the area education. He advised that the Vice Presidents will receive a copy of this document before the convention. He stressed the importance of dealing with the membership on education issues.

MMS to accept the Education Report. So voted.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

Dir. Foley reported that the legislature has not been session since mid-July, and that the Senate would return on Monday.

Dir. Foley advised that there were were several bills presently pending. They are:

- Blue Laws - this is in House Ways and Means.
- Minimum Wage - Dir. Foley advised that this is on hold until we learn what the Federal government plans to do. If they plan to do nothing, then it will be put off until October 3.

Dir. Foley advised that he plans to teach a course at the Labor Guild, entitled "Under the Golden Dome." He urged participation saying that it would educate the membership in the areas of lobbying and how to prepare legislation. He described the plans for the course.

Dir. Foley discussed the situation in the city of Boston where developers are taking over waterfront properties, which in the past had been used for business purposes and involved many jobs, and building condos. He gave a current example of this.

The zoning of the properties was discussed. Dir. Foley advised that he felt the Council should send a letter to the Boston Redevelopment Authority saying that we were opposed to corporate takeover of the waterfront properties that were in the category of manufacturing properties. V.P. Joyce concurred.

Dir. Foley discussed Primary Day saying there was a light turnout of voters.

Pres. Osborn discussed the endorsement by National AFL/CIO of Governor Dukakis for the Presidency and said it was a great honor for him to be able to second this nomination.

V.P. Phinney objected to the concept put forth by Dir. Foley on the properties being taken on the waterfront for condos. He said the original recommendations to the Mayor Local 1445 UFCW's concern was that in the submission of this bill, it included retail stores as enterprises and included them with hazardous waste areas and dumps, and he objected to this. He asked Marty Foley is the bill had been amended so that when it went to the Mayor, it would not have the retail stores included in this category.

Dir. Foley replied that his recommendation at this meeting was that the concept be endorsed by the Council right now and later negotiate on certain areas.

Brother Phinney stated that he was in agreement with the concept but was against the category the retail stores was being put in.

MMS to accept the Legislative Report. So voted.

MMS to endorse the concept of retaining properties on or near the waterfront which would be classified as manufacturing properties, producing jobs, as they have been in the past but to address our concerns regarding the category retail stores would be placed. So voted.

MMS that the Mass. AFL/CIO endorse the concept of light manufacturing so as to preserve light manufacturing jobs in Boston and in forwarding our recommendation, we bring to the attention of the city of Boston the concerns of UFCW Local 1445. So voted.

Pres. Osborn discussed the situation where no replacement was ever made for the position vacated by Norma Hicks in the Dislocated Workers Program. He advised that many discussions had taken place with the Secretary of Labor. He said he had received a request from the Pioneer Valley C.L.C. to have a person in the western part of the state and for that person to be John Domingos from IFTPE.

V.P. Thompson agreed that Brother Domingos would be an excellent choice.

MMS to support the recommendation of the Pioneer Valley C.L.C. for John Domingos, IFTPE, to be a JTPA representative in the western part of the state. So voted.

V.P. Romano addressed the Council regarding Senate Bill 1812 affecting the Carmen's Union membership. He explained the bill which had to do with part-timers hired and the right of management to assign them. He advised the bill would be coming up on October 12 to Public Service and asked each member of the Council to wirte a letter to the Public Service Committee, The State House, Room 40, Boston, MA 02133, to ask them to support this collective bargaining bill and also to write to any other representatives and senators to protect this bill.

Pres. Osborn explained that with the prevailing wage issue, the people serving for the building trades on committees, and in the locals and towns, are now on a computer. In the past, we had this information readily available in the public and industrial sectors, but it is only recently that we had the information from the building trades. He explained that in issues such as Senate Bill 1812, this would be invaluable in that the Council can now reach out to all its membership for assistance.

The President advised that the Women in Building Trades Seminar was scheduled for October 1 at IBEW 103. This was sponsored by CLUW, the Mass. Building Trades and the Mass. AFL/CIO.

V.P. Mills advised that SEIU Locals 285 and 509 were sponsoring a fundraiser on Sept. 25th. It would be a debate watching party and would be a fundraiser for their COPE fund to be held at the Howard Johnson's on Morrissey Blvd. Tickets were $5.00.

V.P. Dick LeBlanc asked about the availability of bumper stickers and signs for Gov. Dukakis. Pres. Osborn advised that he had just received materials from National AFL/CIO and the Democratic State Committee, and that Rich Rogers of the staff would be getting these out.

Pres. Osborn advised that there would be a fundraiser for the Governor on September 27th, a breakfast at the Teachers Hall. He urged everyone to go to their treasury to get support for this.

Dir. Foley explained the procedure for donating to these fundraisers to comply with the Campaign Finance laws. He said to be sure to state that the monies are from the general treasury and not voluntary contributions and should be treated as such.

Pres. Osborn stated that at the breakfast there would be an instruction sheet to explain this procedure.

V.P. Cardinal urged the Council members to pay up their dues to the Union Label Council prior to the upcoming Convention -- he also requested assistance in getting items for the Union Label drawing at the Convention.

Brother Cardinal advised that he plans to sponsor a concert of union songs on Wednesday evening, October 4th, at the convention, and perhaps a film festival. He asked for participation and support.

Pres. Osborn thanked V.P. Cardinal and urged everyone to support Union Label, a worthwhile organization.

V.P. Farmer advised that the ABC plans a meeting in Ashland on September 21. He asked if anyone should attend from Labor. Pres. Osborn advised that he felt people from the Ashland area should attend and speak on behalf of Question #2 as private citizens.

V.P. Joyce advised that he plans to have his Health Planning Advisory Council meeting at the Park Plaza on October 6th in conjunction with the Mass. AFL/CIO convention. This would be part of the agenda for the convention.

Pres. Osborn praised the efforts of Steve Sullivan, Frontlash Director, on the dinner he hosted for John Simmons. It was a great success and a lot of money was raised.

V.P. Simmons thanked the Council for the honor.

Pres. Osborn advised that the Arnold Dubin Award would be presented to Sec.-Treas. Bob Haynes on October 13th at a dinner in Fall River.

Roll Call.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 Noon.

ROLL CALL - SEPT. 15, 1988

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BARNEY WALSH - ~~CB~~ yes
MANNY WILLIAMS - yes
Gino Cardinal - yes
Joe Dart - No - (UB)
Ron Ferris - yes

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TO: MEMBERS OF THE C.O.P.E. COMMITTEE
MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO

There will be a C.O.P.E. endorsement meeting on Wednesday, October 5, 1988, Park Plaza Hotel, in Room 436.

This meeting will take place at the conclusion of our Executive Council meeting and will commence at approximately 3:30 P.M.

Please call my office if you are unable to attend.

In solidarity,

Arthur R. Osborn
President

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August 19, 1988

Arthur R. Osborn, President
Massachusetts AFL/CIO
8 Beacon Street 3rd Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Dear President Osborn:

It is with deep regret that I submit my resignation from the office of Executive Vice President (Building Trades) Massachusetts AFL/CIO Council.

I have accepted the opportunity to serve working people in the capacity of Administrative Judge in the Worker's Compensation System for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I express my sincere thanks for the support I have received from the Council.

I can assure you the experience I enjoyed as an Officer of the Massachusetts AFL/CIO has been one of personal fulfillment. I can only hope that I have contributed in some way to the many successes that the labor movement in Massachusetts has achieved in the past years.

Once again, thank you so much for your support and friendship. I will remain as I have always been, a servant of working people.

In solidarity,

Thomas G. Evers

Thomas G. Evers
Executive Vice President

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August 3, 1988

Dear Friend:

On October 13, 1988, hundreds of labor leaders and supporters will gather at the annual Awards Banquet of the Arnold M. Dubin Labor Education Center of SMU--dedicated, this year, to the memory of Dora Bastarache.

This year's honoree is Robert Haynes, newly elected Secretary-Treasurer and Director of Education of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO. Brother Haynes will receive the Dubin Award for his commitment to expanding educational opportunities for workers and their families.

The Richard Fontera Award will go, this year, to the SMU Labor Studies Committee, consisting of 12 faculty members who have worked tirelessly to create a credit program in Labor Studies.

We will also be presenting the Harry Dunham Award to a local rank and file union member who has done outstanding work within the labor movement. As in the past, this Award will be a surprise--but we are taking your nominations now.

Senator William "Biff" MacLean will receive a special citation for his legislative efforts on behalf of the labor movement.

In addition to attending the dinner, you can support the Labor Education Center's excellent programs by purchasing an ad in this year's Souvenir Program. Information about the souvenir book and a request card for banquet tickets are enclosed.

We look forward to your anticipated support of this important evening, and we hope to see you at the Venus de Milo in Swansea on October 13.

Sincerely,

Frank Costa
Frank Costa, Chairperson
Labor Education Center Advisory Board
and
President, United Labor Council of
Greater Taunton

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James Macedo, President
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August 15, 1988

Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Boston City Hall, 9th Floor
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

By action of our Executive Board, I'm asking that the B.R.A. reschedule another public hearing for the proposed Light Manufacturing Zone. (L.M.Z.) text amendment as soon as it is practical.

Many of the G.B.L.C. affilliates have suffered the loss of good jobs because of the shut down of many manufacturing jobs and as a result a serious loss of membership. Perhaps had a L.M.Z. existed many of these jobs could have been saved.

I request that this council go on record supporting a Light Manufacturing Zone text amendament. We would appreciate an opportunity to comment, please advise us if you reschedule the hearing and if we will be allowed to be heard.

Sincerely,

Joseph W. Joyce
Executive Secretary/Treasurer

JWJ/sm

cc: Harry Grill, E.D.I.C.

International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers

A. F. L. - C. I. O.

District Lodge No. 38

96 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brighton, Mass. 02135

617-254-2515

July 22, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA., 02201

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Dear Mr. Farrell:

As Directing Business Representative of District Lodge No. 38, I.A.M.A.W., I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 21 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

It has been my unfortunate experience over the years to witness many plant closings and the economic problems associated with plant closings. I think it is important that all the issues be presented to you as soon as possible.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

The Light Manufacturing Zone will be a major step toward opening new opportunities for expansion to Boston's manufacturing sector. By reserving land for manufacturing uses, the Light Manufacturing zone will encourage new investment in industrial property and make long-term leases attractive to industrial landlords and available to manufacturers.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Very truly yours,

Anthony P. Mastandrea

ANTHONY P. MASTANDREA
Directing Business Representative

APM:MJM opeiu-6

cc: Mr. Harry Grill
EDIC/Boston

BOSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS, AFL-CIO

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August 8, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
9th Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

The Boston District Council of Carpenters with its 7,500 members supports the concept of Light Manufacturing Zoning proposed by the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC). We urge the Boston Redevelopment Authority to schedule another public hearing so that we may have the opportunity to speak on behalf of this important proposal.

Boston's vital manufacturing sector is now under severe pressure. Soaring land values coupled with speculative pressures threaten the continued viability of light manufacturing in Boston. As affordable space in the city continues to disappear, light manufacturers will be forced to cut back their operations and employment. Boston cannot afford the loss of these jobs which are essential to the City's long-term prosperity.

A Light Manufacturing Zone entailing use restrictions, performance standards and design guidelines will preserve space for Boston's manufacturing sector. In effect, it will reserve land for manufacturing use and thereby encourage new investment in industrial property as well as make long-term leases attractive to owners of industrial property and thus available to manufacturers. Under these circumstances, the Boston District Council of Carpenters strongly favors the development of Light Manufacturing Zones in Boston.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Marshall
Council President

cc: Marilyn Swartz-Lloyd

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August 12, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell
Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 21st public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Garment Manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them. Many have already moved.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Fraternally,

Edward W. Clark

Edward W. Clark, Jr.
Manager

EC:or
cc: Harry Grill ✓
Senior Project Coordinator

UNITED PAPERWORKERS INTERNATIONAL UNION

LOCAL No. 121
HYDE PARK, MA

August 2, 1988

Copy for Harry Grill for E.D.I.C. File

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA., 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As a member of the United Paperworkers International Union Local No. 121, a paper manufacturing facility, I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 21 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neiborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

The Light Manufacturing Zone will be a major step toward opening new opportunities for expansion to Boston's manufacturing sector. By reserving land for manufacturing uses, the Light Manufacturing zone will encourage new investment in industrial property and make long-term leases attractive to industrial landlords and available to manufacturers.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Sincerely,

Aaron Markowitz
Sec. Local #121

TRANSPORTATION • COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL UNION

System Board of Adjustment No. 86

Division Protective Committee

August 4, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Boston City Hall, Ninth Floor
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As the District Chairman of Lodge 1089 in Boston, I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 21 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

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Since the future of railroad transportation is linked to the future of industry, Light Manufacturing Zoning is of potential importance to the interests of my members and families.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Sincerely,

Steven A. Tolman
Division Chairman
New England

xc: Harry Grill, EDIC

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326-5693

UAW LOCAL No. 1596
Region 9-A
270 Bridge Street
Dedham, Massachusetts 020

INTERNATIONAL UNION, UNITED AUTOMOBILE, AEROSPACE & AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT WORKERS OF AMERICA-U

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July 7, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As President of UAW Amalgamated Local 1596 which represents workers in three industrial firms in Boston and several more that have left Boston for suburbia, I am writing to request that BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 21 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manfacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

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For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Sincerely,

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Vincent Ofria
President
Local 1596 UAW

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July 2, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston Mass. 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As a member of the International Longshoremen's Association and the International Vice/President, I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing Zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attent the April 21, 1988 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing Zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing Zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

The Light Manufacturing Zone will be a major step toward opening new opportunities for expansion to Boston's manufacturing sector. By reserving land for manufacturing uses, the Light Manufacturing Zone will encourage new investment in industrial property and make long-term leases attractive to industrial landlords and available to manufacturers.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the propose Light Manufacturing Zoning category.

Sincerely,

William R. McNamara

William R. McNamara

AFL-CIO Laundry and Dry Cleaning International Union
LOCAL 66 OF NEW ENGLAND

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July 7, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As the representative of over 400 workers in the City of Boston affected directly and indirectly by the growth or decline of light manufacturing in the City of Boston; I am very much interested in speaking in favor of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment.

I am sure that you are well aware of the shortage of affordable quality space faced by Boston's manufacturers. The industrial laundry industry is a service dependent on a healthy manufacturing economy. Our industry is capable of providing jobs for the unskilled close to their homes at decent wages and benefits.

We believe that it is good policy to provide, through Light Manufacturing zones, opportunities for expansion of Boston's manufacturing sector.

I wish to be on the record for being in favor of establishing Light Manufacturing zones, and plan to speak in favor of this proposal at the Boston Redevelopment Authority's next public hearing.

Sincerely,

David B Brenner

David B. Brenner,
President

DBB/nts

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July 8, 1988

Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
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Boston, MA 02210

Dear Sirs:

As a member of the International Longshoremen's Association, a labor organization associated with maritime uses, I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 12 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

The Light Manufacturing Zone will be a major step toward opening new opportunities for expansion to Boston's manufacturing sector. By reserving land for manufacturing uses, the Light Manufacturing zone will encourage new investment in industrial property and make long-term leases attractive to industrial landlords and available to manufacturers.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Sincerely,

Edward Connolly

cc: Marilyn Swartz-Lloyd

INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S ..... ASSOCIATION .....

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President	Secretary
Address	Address

City Boston State Ma

Date June 27, 19

Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
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Boston, Ma 02201

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another hearing on the proposedLight Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible.

On the day of the last public hearing held on April 21, 1988 I was involved in the unpleasant task of negotiating a finality agreement with Amstar Corporation (Domino Sugar-Charlestown Refinery.

On March 18, 1988, Amstar Corporation shut-down its Boston Sugar Refinery, causing the loss of over 235 light manufacturing jobs, resulting in the loss of over $60 million dollars of economic activity in the Boston area.

I would like to publicly discuss with the Board of Directors of the BRA the reasons I believe that had there been a "Light Manufacturing Zone" the Boston Refinery would still be in operation.

Sincerely,
Thomas G. Climo
President-Local 1660
ILA-AFL-CIO
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cc: EDIC

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June 28, 1988

Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Sirs:

As the bargaining representative for a number of workers employed within the area of the proposed Light Manufacturing Zoning test amendment, we would like very much to testify in favor of this proposal. Unfortunately, we were unable to attend the April 21st public hearing.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

The Light Manufacturing Zone will be a major step toward opening new opportunities for expansion to Boston's manufacturing sector. By reserving land for manufacturing uses, the Light Manufacturing zone will encourage new investment in industrial property and make long-term leases attractive to industrial landlords and available to manufacturers.

For these reasons, I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category, and we request that the B.R.A. schedule another public hearing as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Carroll

Joseph M. Carroll
Business Representative

cc: Harry Grill ✓

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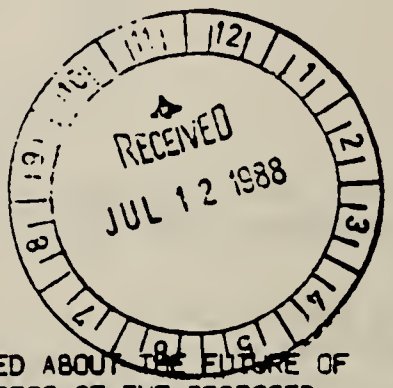

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
NINTH FLOOR
BOSTON CITY HALL
BOSTON, MA 02201

DEAR SIRS:

AS PRESIDENT OF IRONWORKERS LOCAL #7 I AM DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF BLUE COLLAR JOBS IN THIS CITY. I HAVE FOLLOWED THE PROGRESS OF THE PROPOSED LIGHT MANUFACTURING ZONE OVER THE PAST YEAR AS A MEMBER OF THE FAN PIER/FORT POINT CHANNEL CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. I REGRET THAT BECAUSE OF UNION ELECTIONS I WAS PREOCCUPIED AND WAS NOT ABLE TO COMMENT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING ON 4/21/88.

I WOULD APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE L.M.Z. TEXT AMENDMENT WHEN THERE IS A FORUM PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE. WE MUST SUPPORT THIS AMENDMENT TO GUARANTEE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR BLUE COLLAR WORKERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CITY'S ECONOMIC SUCCESS FOR DECADES TO COME.

PROUDLY, I REQUEST THAT I BE PLACED ON RECORD IN SUPPORT OF THE L.M.Z.

SINCERELY,

Stephen F. Lynch

STEPHEN F. LYNCH
PRESIDENT
IRONWORKERS LOCAL #7

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CC: MARILYN SWARTZ LLOYD, EDIC
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July 14, 1988

Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Boston City Hall, 9th Floor
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Dear Sirs:

We are writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed light manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible.

Hundreds of our members in Boston have lost manufacturing jobs over the past several years. Many of the companies which have move out of Boston, remain profitable businesses located in Woburn, Brockton and other areas . They cited the lack of affordable space in Boston to expand their operations as the major reason for leavin

Although some members have left the city to follow jobs, many remain committed to the Boston neighborhoods where they grew-up and live.

We believe, the light manufacturing zone will be a much needed step toward revitalizing Boston's manufacturing sector.

We would also request that, if possible, the hearing be schedu for a Saturday morning or weekday evening when it would be convenie for our members to attend.

Sincerely,

Roderique Poineau, President
UE District Council 2

Harry Authelet, Int'l. Rep.
UER & MWA (UE)

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Joint Board Cloak, Skirt and Dressmakers' Union
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February 11, 1988

Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
City Hall
Boston, MA 02210

Re: Avon Home Fashions, Inc.
3368 Washington Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 021

Dear Mr. Farrell:

The International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union is in fav of the City of Boston's proposal for the light manufacturi zoning amendment.

The International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union represent the production employees at Avon Home Fashions, Inc. who a engaged in producing tablecloths and other textile product Through their Union Contract, these inner city residents receive fair wages and benefits, and are able to make a contribution to their community and the City's economy.

If the proposed zoning amendment is not enacted, Avon Home Fashions, Inc. may be forced to relocate outside the City. This would cause dislocation of these inner City workers. At this time Avon Home Fashions, Inc. employs mostly inner City Hispanics.

The Union believes that helping to keep Avon Home Fashions Inc. in the City of Boston rather than in a suburban locat will provide important social benefit to the City.

Very truly yours,

JOINT BOARD CLOAK, ~~SKIRT~~ AND
DRESSMAKERS' UNION, ILGWU, AFL-CIO

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July 29, 1988

Mr. Robert Farrell, Chairman
Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor, Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Farrell:

As the Regional Director of our Union I have witnessed the slow strangulation of our industry (women's apparel) here in the city of Boston. Our Union is a union of immigrants, and has been since it was founded over 80 years ago. Today, our members in Boston are mainly Chinese women with Hispanic, Portuguese and Greek women largely making up the difference. They work because they must. They support or help support their families, help pay rent, raise children and do all of the things they are called upon to do as parents.

It is imperative that they continue to work. While it is true that we have lost many of our factories to the wave of apparel and textile imports, it is also true that many of our employers have gone out of business because of the lack of affordable space in which to continue their operations.

It is my hope that the Boston Redevelopment Authority will do all that it can to stabilize the cost of doing business here in the city. Unfortunately, I was out of town at the time of your earlier hearing on the subject of Light Manufacturing Zone. It is my intention, however, to have our Union present testimony at your next hearing. If the City of Boston is to maintain an economic viability it must support the efforts to keep a light manufacturing presence, a presence that helps guarantees thousands of

jobs. We are confident that not only will jobs be saved but that, in addition, the possibility exits for growth and expansion.

I want to go on record as supporting a Light Manufacturing Zone Category.

Sincerely,

Ronald Alman
Director

SUPPORTERS OF THE LIGHT MANUFACTURING ZONE

August 31, 1988

Community Organizations and Residents

1. Academy Homes I Tenants Council
2. Allston/Brighton PZAC
3. Boston Harbor Associates
4. Community Development Corporation of Boston, Inc.
5. Dimock Community Health Center
6. Downtown Crossing Association
7. Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative
8. East Boston PZAC
9. Fort Point Arts Community, Inc.
10. Fort Point Channel Community Association
11. Opportunities Industrialization Center
12. Pompeii/Chesterton Neighborhood Association
13. Port Norfolk PZAC
14. Roxbury Multi-Service Center
15. St. Patrick's Church
16. St. Vincent's Neighborhood Association
17. Urban Edge Housing Corporation
18. Boston YWCA

Trade Unions

1. Greater Boston Labor Council
2. International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
3. International Ladies Garment Workers Union
4. International Longshoremen's Association
5. International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace & Agricultural Implement Workers of America - UAW
6. Ironworkers - Local 7
7. Laundry & Dry Cleaning International Union
8. New England Regional Joint Board Amalgamated Clothing & Textile Workers Union
9. Sugar Workers/ILA
10. Transportation - Communication International Union
11. United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America
12. United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America
13. United Food & Commercial Workers Union
14. United Paperworkers International Union

Professional Associations and Public Agencies

1. ARTS/Boston, Inc.
2. The Boston Company Real Estate Counsel, Inc.
3. The Boston Employment Commission
4. The Boston Jobs Liaison Committee
5. The Boston Society of Architects
6. EDIC Board of Directors
7. Governor's Office of Economic Development
8. Mayor's Office of Jobs and Community Services

Brokers/Developers/Lawyers/Bankers

1. Bank of New England
2. Drydock Associates
3. Emily C. Hewitt
4. First Trade Union Savings Bank
5. Richard A. Flier Interests
6. Vincent P. McCarthy
7. United States Trust Company

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Manufacturers and Companies

1. A B & W, Inc.
2. Adams Sponging Corporation
3. Avon Home Fashions
4. Boston Carpet, Inc.
5. Chadman, Inc
6. City Point Lobstermen's Association
7. Copley Pharmaceutical, Inc.
8. Digital Equipment Corporation
9. DuPont
10. Filene's
11. Harcourt Bindery
12. Helitron, Inc.
13. Kryptonite Corporation
14. Menapace Woodworking
15. Merchants Press
16. Neuber Industrial Diamond Company

Marine Industrial Park Tenants

1. Arborway Metal Finishing, Inc.
2. Au Bon Pain
3. Balco, Inc.
4. Bay State Bindery
5. Boston Design Center
6. Breckenridge
7. John J. Cahill Displays
8. J. J. Daly Company, Inc.
9. Design Communications
10. Dutch Maid Bakery
11. Esquire Neckwear
12. I. Lappin Wallcoverings
13. Limitless Design Corporation
14. Mark Burton, Inc.
15. Mass Bay Brewing Company
16. Matt McDonald Company, Inc.
17. New England Lithograph
18. P. X. Engineering Company, Inc.
19. Star Bindery, Inc.
20. Stavis Seafoods, Inc.
21. The Zeiler's

Boston Sunday Herald

September 11, 1988

Flynn urges tougher zoning to save jobs

By CHARLES CRAIG

MAYOR Ray Flynn rallied with union workers yesterday at the Howden Group's Hyde Park factory to protest the plant's closing and to call for tougher zoning to protect manufacturing jobs.

"This building should not be turned into condos," said Flynn, referring to the Scotland-based Howden Group's plans to shut down the old Westinghouse plant next year and sell the property.

"This building was created for meaningful manufacturing jobs for workers of this state. The people should be able to earn their $11 an hour and not have to stand in personnel lines to get a hamburger job."

About 125 members of the Machinists Union Local 1790 will lose their jobs next year when Howden discontinues its production of large industrial fans at the factory.

Flynn and Economic Development and Industrial Corporation Director Marilyn Swartz Lloyd joined about 50 union workers to protest Howden's closing of a viable factory in order to make a hefty profit selling the land to developers.

The mayor and EDIC officials are backing a proposed light manufacturing zoning law to protect factories and encourage expansion.

The Boston Globe
BUSINESS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1988

Hyde Park plant to be sold, closed

By Sarah Snyder
Globe Staff

A Hyde Park plant that has been used for manufacturing since the turn of the century will be sold in January, and 125 machinists laid off, in what one angry city official calls a good example of why Boston is losing blue-collar jobs.

The plant manufactures large fans for generating plants. It was bought last January by Scotland-based Howden Sirocco. The company said yesterday it is selling the plant in order to move all its North American manufacturing to Toronto.

Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, director of the city's Economic Development and Industrial Corporation, said the figures behind the plant closing show that lucrative Boston real estate prices are driving away blue-collar jobs.

Howden, she said, bought the Hyde Park plant and at least two other plants elsewhere for a total of $16 million last January, and now has the Hyde Park plant up for sale for roughly $20 million, based on its real estate value.

An officer of Howden Sirocco would not give any figures regarding sale of the plant.

Swartz Lloyd called the sale an example of a multinational company coming in to "buy Boston businesses for the real estate, while spitting out Boston workers in order to make a killing. That's what's going on here."

If the city had zoning for light manufacturing she said, businesses in those areas would be protected from such a sale. Under a light manufacturing zone now, before the Boston Redevelopment Authority, any manufacturing business in the zone that was sold would have to continue to be used for manufacturing.

James Dixon, vice president of finance for Howden Sirocco, said the company wants to move its manufacturing to Toronto because, "We have two North American facilities, both very much underutilized, and the Toronto facility is much more capitalized than this facility. It will be much easier to move what we have here there than the other way around, because of the equipment involved."

While manufacturing will be discontinued in Hyde Park, the company's engineering, marketing and administrative functions will be kept in Boston, Dixon said.

Dixon said the company will do everything possible to help the laid-off workers find other jobs. He said layoffs will begin next January and the plant will close by April.

Anthony Mastandrea, directing business representative for Machinists Union Local 1790, District 38, who represents the machinists at the plant, said, "I'm very upset and naturally I just feel we're losing more jobs in the state, and in this case, they're moving right out of the country." He said it is unlikely his members, who average about $11 an hour at the plant, will be able to find comparable jobs.

"There is very little in manufacturing positions available. Burger King has a lot of jobs open," he said.

The plant, owned by Westinghouse for more than 20 years, was bought five years ago by American Davidson. Howden bought the plant in January when its parent company, The Howden Group, a Scotland-based industrial manufacturer, bought the Davidson Group, which included several manufacturing plants, one in Hyde Park and others abroad.

Boston Herald

Thursday September 8, 1988

Hub official raps layoff plan

By PHIL PRIMACK

A CITY official said yesterday a Scotland-based corporation's plans to lay off 125 workers at a Hyde Park plant in order to sell the property "is a perfect example" of the need for the city to protect light manufacturing through tougher zoning.

"Allowing international moguls to buy Boston manufacturing plants and then turn around and make a real estate killing while throwing blue-collar workers out of their jobs is outragcous," said Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, director of Boston's Economic Development and Industrial Commission.

The Howden Group, which purchased the old Westinghouse plant in Hyde Park earlier this year, said yesterday that it will transfer its manufacturing operations from Hyde Park to another facility it owns in Toronto, Canada. Layoffs will begin in Boston in January and will be completed within two months, according to a company statement.

The manufacturing portion of the 23-acre Boston site, which produced large industrial fans used primarily by power companies, "is being put on the market," said the statement.

> 'Allowing international moguls to buy Boston manufacturing plants and then . . . make a real estate killing while throwing workers out of their jobs is outrageous.'
>
> Marilyn Swartz Lloyd

According to Swartz, Howden paid American Standard $16 million for the Hyde Park and at least two other facilities, but "now Howden is asking $20 million just for Hyde Park. . . . For that price, it's not as if they'll be building affordable housing."

A city-proposed light manufacturing zoning ordinance scheduled for a hearing later this month "would improve our ability to create spaces for people to live and work," said Swartz.

Although Howden said yesterday that "the engineering, marketing and administrative functions will be retained and expanded in Boston," Howden Vice President Jim Dixon said this would "probably not" result in any new jobs. He would not comment on the price or other details of Howden's proposed sale of its property here.

An official of the union representing plant workers said the company could have kept Hyde Park active.

"We just didn't see the effort from this company to keep this going as a manufacturing operation," said Tony Mastandrea, business agent for Machinists Union Local 1790. "I think they just bought the place planning to sell it as real estate."

Mastandrea, who began his career as a worker in the Westinghouse plant 41 years ago, said those being laid off "earn an average of about $11 an hour. There may be new jobs for them out there, but not jobs that pay that much or use the skills these people have."

Boston Sunday Globe

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1988

METRO/REGION

Hyde Park plant closing brings call to save jobs

By Susan Bickelhaupt
Globe Staff

As Tony Mastandrea addressed a crowd of co-workers, his backdrop was a red brick building with an American flag flying above its roof, a manufacturing plant that has been a landmark in Hyde Park since the turn of the century.

"It's with a lot of sadness that I stand here this morning," said Mastandrea, business representative of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers. "It was 41 years ago I came to work here as a skinny little kid out of trade school, worked here for 19 years and then, with the help of the employees in this plant, I became a business representative for the machinists' union."

Mastandrea was addressing city officials and about two-thirds of the plant's 120 workers, who learned last week that the plant has been sold, meaning layoffs for all its blue-collar workers. The purpose of the rally was not just to bemoan the loss of the plant, but to garner support for the idea that the city should establish light manufacturing zones to protect such jobs.

The company, which manufactures large fans for generating plants, was bought for $16 million in January by Howden Sirocco, a company based in Scotland. It had been owned by Westinghouse for more than 20 years until it was bought five years ago by American Davidson. Howden now has the plant up for sale for about $20 million.

Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, director of the city's Economic Development and Industrial Corp., said that asking price would make the property attractive only to a buyer bent on converting it to condominiums.

"The thing that upsets me is that this has been going on," Mastandrea said. "This is not the first plant closing that the machinists' union has been involved in. But before, no one had even taken steps forward to think about a light manufacturing zone. The developers come in, buy a piece of property like this and in less than a year almost double their profits."

Swartz Lloyd said that if the city had zoning for light manufacturing, "it would take the speculative real estate element out of the process, which is causing manufacturers to leave the city."

She noted that Boston has lost 1,000 blue-collar jobs a year for the past five years, almost entirely because rising real estate values are making land too expensive for industrial uses. Under a proposal now before the Boston Redevelopment Authority, she said, any manufacturing site in a light manufacturing zone would have to be used for manufacturing if it were sold.

Mayor Flynn added that more than money is at stake. "We need manufacturing jobs, not only from the standpoint of the money it brings to the family, but what it also means to the communities. The jobs have built these communities – they're as important as churches are, as schools are, because they provide the resources necessary for people to educate their kids and put food on the table."

James Farrelly, a mill machine operator, had driven up from his home in Attleboro for the rally.

"I came off the boat from Ireland and right into Westinghouse 14 years ago," said Farrelly. "Under Westinghouse, there were almost 600 people; now it's down to 120." Farrelly said he figures he'll have a job until December, then start looking for something else.

Boston Herald

Tuesday, August 9, 1988

TODAY'S NEWS

BUSINESS

100 jobs could be moved if Hyde Park plant is sold

By MARGARET PANTRIDGE

A SCOTTISH firm that bought the old Westinghouse plant in Hyde Park earlier this year has put the 23-acre facility on the market and will move its manufacturing operation, possibly out of state, an official said yesterday.

As many as 100 manufacturing jobs could be relocated, said John Magill, vice president of engineering of the Howden Group. The plant, built in 1902 by the B.F. Sturtevant Co., makes industrial fans as big as 14 feet in diameter and sells them primarily to power companies.

Howden's plan is aimed at consolidating but not closing the business, according to Magill. He said sales are "pretty good" and improving after a "rough patch" that affected the entire electrical utility supply industry.

"The announcement we have made to the staff is that we will be keeping the engineering, marketing and financial departments in the Hyde Park area," Magill said. "We have not made that commitment on the factory itself."

It is possible that all or some of the operations could remain on the Hyde Park Avenue property if the developer who buys it builds office or industrial facilities, according to Magill. But he added, "At this point, we're not ruling anything out."

City officials are urging Howden to remain on the property or at least to relocate within Boston boundaries.

In a letter to the company, Mayor Raymond L. Flynn wrote, "We must challenge any development plans that would reduce the already tight supply of industrial space" in Boston.

Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, director of the city's Economic Development and Industrial Commission, said, "We hope they're not closing for the real estate. They said they couldn't find people to work in the plant. So we took them through the Boston Technical Center where we had a class going at the time in welding and metal tool fabrication, which is what they do, and we told them they could hire anyone there."

Swartz Lloyd said the city would like to see Howden consolidate on site and sell only a portion of the property. The site is attractive, with several well-kept red brick buildings in a residential area, and could be developed for mixed use or housing, she said.

"To have housing, they would need a variance," Swartz Lloyd said, "so we would hope they would work closely with us on developing the site."

Parent company Howden Sirocco, a Glasgow-based manufacturer of heavy engineering products, bought the Hyde Park plant in March from American Davidson, which had owned it for three years. Westinghouse bought it from Sturtevant in 1945 and operated it for 30 years as its Sturtevant Division until selling to American Davidson.

The Hyde Park operation is Howden's largest in the United States, according to Magill. He said the company has the facilities to build industrial fans abroad, but "I wouldn't see us importing them."

No price has yet been set for the property, according to a Carlson Commercial broker who is handling the sale.

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and Somerville Chronicle
VOLUME 30 NUMBER 47 CHARLESTOWN, MASS. PRICE 10¢ THURSDAY, JULY 21, 1988

Amstar Sugar Refinery Sold For An Estimated $13 Million

by Kathy Giordano

The Amstar Sugar Refinery on Medford Street has been purchased by Harold Brown, a Boston real estate baron, owner of Hamilton Realty Company in Allston, who out bid several other real estate developers vying for the prime waterfront property. Among those in contention for the site was Thomas Flatley of The Flatley Company, owner of The Schrafft Center in Sullivan Square. It has been reported, but not confirmed, that the sale price for the 888,773 square foot site was $13 million.

Amstar closed the facility in March forcing 200 employees out of work. According to Trey Agnew, vice president of C.W. Whittier, the exclusive marketing agent for the facility, the full development of the site will offer more than 200 job openings. He further stated that several industries have already expressed interest in relocating at the Charlestown site. Among those are maritime-related industries who are being displaced by the third harbor tunnel project.

The site, located on the Charlestown waterfront facing the Mystic River, is situated between The Schrafft Center and the former Revere Sugar Refinery, now owned by Massport who has leased a portion of the property to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to use as a staging area for the Boston Harbor clean up project.

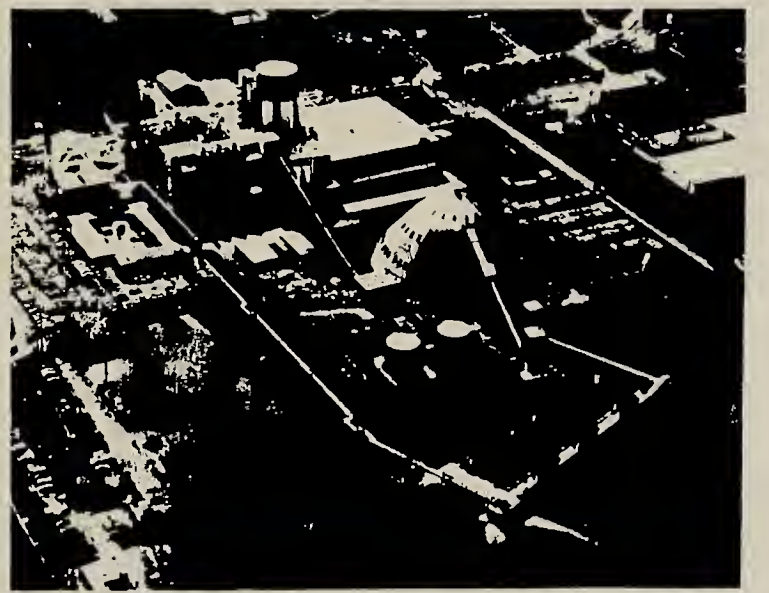
The area is included in the proposed Maritime Economy Reserve Zone which would restrict the new owner from converting the property into offices or condominiums. The zone would require that the land remain open to maritime-related industries.

In a letter to Brown, Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, director of Boston's Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC), stated that the EDIC has been and will continue to work closely with the Charlestown community to assure that the site will be preserved for maritime industries; that all hiring preference be given to the former employees of Amstar, members of the Sugar Workers Local 1660, the Longshoreman's Association and other Charlestown residents; and that the quality of life in the surrounding neighborhood be considered in relation to truck traffic that would service the site.

Boston City Councillor Robert Travaglini stated that "the community had expressed their desire to see Tom Flatley develop the site. My hope is that Mr. Brown will follow the example of Tom Flatley who has set a standard of community participation and involvement."

Agnew stated that the development of the Charlestown Navy Yard and other waterfront locations into luxury condominiums had hurt maritime industries. "This is a good, clean spot for fisheries or any maritime use of the harbor. It's a great location!"

The developer expressed his willingness to work with the EDIC, the Boston Redevelopment Authority, Massport and public and private groups in Charlestown to "make the project work."



THE ANNOUNCEMENT that Harold Brown of the Hamilton Realty Company had reached an agreement with the Amstar Sugar Corporation to purchase the former Domino Sugar Refinery site at 425-444R Medford Street came at a press conference at the facility on July 20. The 20.4 acre parcel includes 253,585 square feet of building space plus a dome-shaped sugar storage facility of 44,488 square feet. The property fronts a deep-water port which is 36 feet deep at low tide. It is estimated that over 200 jobs will come available when development is completed.

Board of Directors
Boston Redevelopment Authority
Ninth Floor
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Sirs:

As a member of the _____, a _____ (state purpose of group or association), _____, I am writing to request that the BRA schedule another public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment as soon as possible. I was unable to attend the April 21 public hearing on the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning text amendment, and I plan to testify in favor of this proposal when there is the opportunity to do so.

Boston manufacturers face a severe shortage of quality affordable space in which to expand their operations. The opportunity for these companies to expand is vital to the long-term prosperity of Boston's residential neighborhoods. Manufacturing offers well-paid jobs to Boston residents. Without Light Manufacturing zoning, many of these firms may be forced to move to the suburbs to find the space they need to grow and to take their jobs and new employment opportunities with them.

The Light Manufacturing Zone will be a major step toward opening new opportunities for expansion to Boston's manufacturing sector. By reserving land for manufacturing uses, the Light Manufacturing zone will encourage new investment in industrial property and make long-term leases attractive to industrial landlords and available to manufacturers.

For these reasons , I wish to be placed on record in support of the proposed Light Manufacturing zoning category.

Sincerely,

xc: Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, EDIC
Harry Grill, EDIC

4/21/66

BACK-OFFICE USE AMENDMENT

1. By inserting, after paragraph 35-4.8, the following provision:

   "9. Back-office use, subject to the provisions of Section 35-14."

   and renumbering subsequent paragraphs accordingly.

2. By inserting, in paragraph 35-7(j) after the words "Office as a principal use", the following:

   ", except as provided for in paragraph 35-4.9."

3. By inserting, after Section 35-13, the following:

   "Section 35-14. Provision of Back Office Space. Within any lot or contiguous lots in single ownership containing not less than one acre in the aggregate, back-office use is allowed in an amount not to exceed forty percent (40%) of the gross floor area allowed within such lot or contiguous lots, regardless of whether such back office use is ancillary or accessory to any other use allowed in this article. For the purposes of this article, "back office use" means the use of a structure or land principally for clerical, data processing, or support staff functions, and related services and occupations."

   and renumbering subsequent sections accordingly.

EDIC/Boston
Economic Development and Industrial Corporation

Light Manufacturing Zoning and Neighborhood Economic Development Districts:

Keys to balanced economic growth in Boston

Help for Boston Industry; Jobs for Boston's People

Raymond L. Flynn, Mayor Marilyn Swartz Lloyd, Director

Light Manufacturing Zoning and
Neighborhood Economic Development Districts:

Keys to balanced economic growth in Boston

Light Manufacturing Zoning and Neighborhood Economic Development Districts: Keys to balanced economic growth in Boston

Balanced economic growth is singularly important to Mayor Flynn's goal of promoting a City where livable neighborhoods co-exist and thrive along with a successful commercial and industrial base. A key piece of the strategy to achieve this balance is the establishment of a new Light Manufacturing Zoning classification. Just as public ownership and land-use policies safeguard uses such as parks and open space, new zoning will ensure preservation of the City's vital manufacturing sector.

Light Manufacturing Zones would preserve space for Boston's manufacturing sector, the core of the City's high-paying blue collar employment, by encouraging manufacturing uses. At the same time, this new zone would respond to residents' concerns by instituting performance standards and design guidelines. Such zoning would also alleviate the speculative pressures which now inhibit the expansion and retention of light manufacturing industries in Boston.

Neighborhood Economic Development Districts would afford the City flexibility to plan for the greatest benefits -- jobs, job training, child care, and environmental contributions -- from industrial development projects in approved Economic Development Areas. Projects promising unusual benefits may be eligible for special design or use considerations.

The Light Manufacturing Zone

Creating a Light Manufacturing Zoning category would enable the City to set aside land to retain and expand the City's manufacturing sector. This zoning classification would:

- Promote clean, job-intensive manufacturing and ancillary uses;
- Stimulate new private investment in manufacturing facilities;
- Eliminate the speculative pressures which have removed light manufacturing space from the real estate market; and
- Forbid certain degrading uses.

These measures would protect light manufacturing uses from the threat of conversion to more profitable, non-industrial uses and prevent land in existing light manufacturing areas from being down-graded to low-overhead, high-profit, degrading uses such as auto junkyards.

Confronting speculation and conversion

The greatest threats to Boston's manufacturers stem directly from real estate speculation. When conversion of industrial areas to commercial and housing development is anticipated, industrial property is withheld from the real estate market, lease terms are shortened unacceptably, and rents increase dramatically. While providing no benefits, speculation causes:

- The removal of space from the industrial market;
- Inflated industrial property values; and
- Shortened leases for industrial tenants.

Despite popular misconceptions about the demise of manufacturing in Boston and New England, many manufacturing industries are growing and looking for space to expand. EDIC has found that the current vacancy rate for affordable manufacturing space is a very low 6.9%. This space costs the tenant between $3.00 and $6.00 per square foot, includes lease terms of 5 years or more, and requires no major renovations.

In a recent study of South Boston's printing firms, EDIC found that more than fifty percent (50%) of these firms, representing approximately 1,400 jobs, plan to move in the next five years.

Uses in a Light Manufacturing Zone

In a Light Manufacturing Zone, clean, quiet, job-intensive manufacturing activities and certain supportive uses would be encouraged while office and commercial development and degrading uses would be limited. The Light Manufacturing Zone would provide a framework to:

- Safeguard certain industrial areas from conversion in Boston's highly competitive real estate market;
- Keep the costs of purchasing or leasing manufacturing space reasonable; and
- Establish space for clean, quiet manufacturers to expand and set guidelines to ensure that these uses do not detract from the quality of life in adjacent neighborhoods.

A partial list of allowed uses in a light manufacturing zone would include:

- Printing, construction materials, medical instruments, electronic assembly, and other light manufacturing activities;
- Research and Development related to Boston's growth industries;
- Certain related non-manufacturing uses such as carpenters', plumbers' or electricians' shops;
- Limited "back office" uses such as clerical and data processing operations; and
- Wholesale and distribution businesses.

Uses which provide important support for manufacturing would be allowed.

Examples of these uses include:

- Job training and child care facilities, and
- Restaurants, certain retail operations, and parking.

Uses in a Light Manufacturing Zone, cont.

Some examples of the degrading uses which would be forbidden include:

- Outdoor storage of used building materials, junk, scrap, paper, rags, unrepaired or uncleaned containers;
- Wrecking and dismantling of motor vehicles or the outdoor storage of damaged or disabled motor vehicles;
- Objectionable or offensive industrial uses such as the disposal, handling, or storage of radioactive waste, incineration or reduction of garbage, offal, or dead animals.

Performance Standards and Design Guidelines

To assure that light manufacturing companies are good neighbors to nearby residential areas, Performance Standards and Design Guidelines would be implemented to address operational and aesthetic considerations in response to oft-stated concerns of communities proximate to light manufacturing uses.

Performance Standards would address matters including:

- Truck traffic and the hours of trucking activity; and
- Noise, glare, dust, odors, and other emissions.

Design Guidelines would be incorporated to ensure attractive development compatible with adjacent uses. Design Guidelines would address:

- Dimensional requirements such as floor-to-area ratio and building height;
- The use of landscaping, set-backs and open space to create buffer zones between manufacturing and residential uses;
- Construction materials and appearance; and
- The unsightly storage of materials.

Neighborhood Economic Development Districts

The Neighborhood Economic Development District concept would grant EDIC and the City flexibility to grant certain waivers of zoning restrictions when light manufacturing development projects promise extraordinary benefits such as jobs and job training for Boston residents or major aesthetic or environmental contributions to the community.

The purposes of the Neighborhood Economic Development District are:

- To promote multi-acre or multi-parcel development;
- To provide flexibility in design and development;
- To assure extensive site plan and design review; and
- To expedite neighborhood economic development when the underlying zoning may not accommodate the proposed development.

Pursuant to an EDIC Economic Development Plan (EDP), Neighborhood Economic Development Districts would cover projects partially or totally outside a Light Manufacturing Zone and projects in an approved EDIC Economic Development Area. To facilitate and coordinate larger projects, multi-parcel developments totaling more than 5 acres and single manufacturing developments of one acre or more would also be eligible for this designation through the EDP process.

The designation would allow modification of underlying zoning or dimensional requirements, provide density bonuses, or grant other preferential treatment to the developer if certain aspects of a proposed development exceed established guidelines.

Through site plan and design review, the Neighborhood Economic Development District will also permit diversity in the location and type of structures while coordinating architectural styles, building forms and relationships within the planned development.

Community Participation Process

The process developed to inform neighborhoods of the City's effort to amend the zoning code to include a light manufacturing category will depend heavily upon existing Planning and Zoning Advisory Committees (PZAC) and other citizens advisory groups.

EDIC has made presentations on Light Manufacturing zoning to advisory groups in many of Boston's neighborhoods including Allston/Brighton, Charlestown, East Boston, Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, and South Boston.

In addition, the BRA has convened two public hearings before the BRA Board of Directors to allow interested parties to comment on this zoning initiative.

EDIC and BRA will continue to conduct presentations and mailings so that all interested parties are fully informed about Light Manufacturing zoning.

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LIGHT MANUFACTURING ZONING

Protecting manufacturing jobs
Balancing the needs of industry and neighborhoods
Keeping Boston's growing employers

What is a Light Manufacturing Zone?

A Light Manufacturing Zone, or LMZ, is a new zoning classification being proposed by the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC) to protect manufacturing jobs, maintain a balance between the needs of industry and neighborhoods, and help successful employers expand and create new jobs. The proposal is currently under consideration by the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

In an LMZ, job-intensive light manufacturing operations such as print shops, fish processors, and medical instrument producers would be encouraged.

Housing and most office developments would be prohibited, and businesses that create environmental hazards -- such as junkyards and trash transfer stations -- would be regulated. Activities which support manufacturing, such as job training and child care facilities, warehouse and distribution, and restaurants, would also be allowed.

Why does Boston need Light Manufacturing Zones?

Boston has dozens of light manufacturing success stories -- companies whose success is tied to growth in the service industries. They include print shops serving the financial services, fish processing companies selling local-catch seafood to Boston's booming restaurant trade, and medical instrument manufacturers that are growing because of the influence of area hospitals and universities.

Unfortunately, an EDIC survey found that the largest single problem faced by companies like these is an acute shortage of good quality, affordable space to expand.

How would Light Manufacturing Zones protect manufacturing jobs?

Boston's booming economy has led to a shortage of space for all uses -- housing, office, retail, and industrial -- and many manufacturers are being squeezed out. Others are facing shorter leases and higher rents.

Real estate speculation is worsening the situation: property owners can often get five times as much rent per square foot from an office operation than from a manufacturing company. That's why they can buy up manufacturing space and hold it empty for as long as ten years.

What kinds of businesses would be disallowed in a Light Manufacturing Zone?

Most office uses would be disallowed, as would bus terminals and dead storage. (Forty-percent of any parcel could be used for "back office" space which serves as additional space for existing office operations.) In addition, noxious uses such as trash transfer stations and junkyards would be forbidden.

This would provide two benefits. First, manufacturers would not have to compete with office-based operations for space in buildings specifically designed for manufacturing. Second, the junkyards and trash piles that discourage new businesses would be eliminated, making light manufacturing zones more attractive for job-creating investment.

Why are light manufacturing operations important to Boston?

High-quality jobs in manufacturing are the backbone of strong City neighborhoods. The average manufacturing worker earns $25,400 per year, and many manufacturing jobs offer excellent opportunities for advancement. Boston residents comprise nearly 40% of the City's manufacturing workforce, but only one-quarter of Boston's office workers live in the City.

To assure that City residents continue to qualify for and obtain manufacturing jobs, EDIC, the Mayor's Office of Jobs and Community Services, and non-profit organizations are providing job training. At EDIC's Boston Technical Center, several thousand Boston residents have received high-quality training in a variety of areas, from welding and machine tool operation, to office machine repair and medical secretary.

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Arthur Osborne, President
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Dear President Osborne:

I am writing to you with regard to the position of Area Program Manager [Dislocated Workers - J. T. P. A.], left open when Norma Hicks left that position in September, 1986.

I am recommending Mr. John Domingos, former President of IFPTE, Local 112, representing members that were employed at the former American Bosch Corporation in Springfield.

As you are aware, that plant closed a couple of years ago and Mr. Domingos and his members were affected by that closing.

He is a Vice President of the Pioneer Valley AFL-CIO; an active member of the Chicopee Democratic Committee and would be an excellent choice to fill that position.

With best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

Charles E. Thompson

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cc: J. Domingos